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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Haas, et al.  
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and Flow Control in Parallel Reactors  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Applicants request entry and consideration of this Preliminary Amendment before the  
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